sector in the country and in the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years is given below:

(In MW)

Year	All India	Andhra Pradesh
1998-99	4242.00	0.00
1999-2000	4532.50	15.00
2000-01	3898.97	500.00
2001-02 (anticipated)	3017.10	1056.80

Pending gas based thermal power plant projects of Gujarat with CEA

1777. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as many as nine detailed proejcts reports for gas based thermal power plants are pending clearance with CEA received from the State of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the present status of each of these projects; and

(d) by when these projects are likely to be cleared and work to start on them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) No detailed project report for any gas based power project in Gujarat is pending for clearance in Central Electricity Authority (CEA).

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Providing employment to people by NHPC

†1778. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether employment is provided by NHPC to the people of the concerned States in the on- going or the completed hydro power projects in the country; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the names of the projects and number of persons under different categories who have been provided with employment in Himachal Pradesh, so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) National Hydro-electric Power Corporation (NHPC) has provide employment to the local people in its projects in accordance with the agreements / understanding with the concerned State Governments. The scope for fresh employment in new projects is limited, as NHPC needs to redeploy exisitng surplus staff from completed-on-going projects to new projects.

(b) In accordance with the agreements/understanding reached with the Government of Himachal Pradesh, NHPC has provided employment in class III & IV to 700 persons at Chamera Hydro- electric Project Stage-I and to 8 persons in class IV at Chamera Hydro-electric Project Stage-II.

Centrally sponsored schemes in Jammu and Kashmir

1779. MIRZA ABDUL RASHID: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Centrally sponsored schemes being extended to Jammu and Kashmir including rural road Connectively schemes; and

(b) whether Government would extend the non-lapsable funds scheme in Jammu and Kashmir on the analogy of North-Eastern States as Jammu and Kashmir is also in the category of Border- State?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU): (a) The Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), the Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana (JGSY), the Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS), the Indira Awaas Yojana GAY), the Central Rural Sanitation Scheme (CRSP), the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP), the Integrated Wasteland Development Programme (IWDP) and the Pardhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) are the major rural development Schemes being implemented in the State of Jammu and Kashmir.

(b) The Central Pool of Resources has been constituted in pursuant to the announcement of the then Prime Minister in October, 1996 regarding North East, primarily to meet the requirements of the specific development projects in the North East, including Sikkim. The other State (including J and K),